#### **FACTS ABOUT**

# **Loan Assistance for Portable Diesel Equipment**

Loans through the California Capital Access Program (CalCAP)

The California Air Resources Board received American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds to assist small business owners in upgrading portable diesel equipment with cleaner, less-polluting equipment. Portable diesel equipment is commonly used in construction, agriculture, mining, or industrial operation.

The ARB has partnered with CalCAP to provide loan assistance to portable diesel equipment owners that helps finance equipment repowering, replacement or retrofit. The objective of the loan assistance program is to encourage early compliance with the Portable Diesel-Fueled Engines Airborne Toxic Control Measure and therefore this program cannot be used for adding additional equipment to fleets.

## What are the eligibility requirements for this program?

- A company must have portable diesel equipment that is used in construction, agriculture, mining, or industrial operations. Examples of eligible diesel equipment include: air compressors, generators, concrete pumps, tub grinders, wood chippers, water pumps, drill rigs, rock drills, abrasive blasters, aggregate screening and crushing plants, concrete batch plants and welders;
- The portable diesel equipment must have a horsepower rating of 50 or greater;
- The company must be a small business, meaning it has 500 or fewer employees;
- The majority of the company's employees must live in California and most of the business operation is located in California; and,
- The company must have either a registration number for the equipment from the Portable Equipment Registration Program (PERP) or a permit by a local Air District where it is required or a letter of exemption from a local Air District where a permit is not required.

## What are the steps for getting a loan through the program?

- The borrower must apply for a loan at a participating CalCAP Lender by filling out the Borrower Eligibility Criteria and Certification Form. CalCAP lenders and dealerships may be able to assist the borrower in completing this form. In addition, the borrower must complete the lender's required loan application forms.
- If the borrower qualifies (based on the lender's loan underwriting standards) loan documents are prepared and signed by the borrower and lender.
- The lender disburses funds to the borrower.
- For an equipment purchase or engine replacement, the old equipment or engine must be scrapped; the borrower or dealer must provide verification of disposal to CalCAP within 90 days of the date of the loan.

### What can I use my loan for?

You can use your loan to cover any or all of the following:

- Engine repower\*: Engine is upgraded to a cleanerTier 2 to 4 engine that is either a certified engine or a remanufactured engine that was built consistent with practices outlined in *title 13, CCR*, section 2423(I).
- Equipment replacement\* (only for same type and similar horsepower): Engine is upgraded to equipment with a cleanerTier 2 through 4 engine.
- Installation of an ARB-verified diesel emission control device (exhaust retrofit).
  For a list of verified devices, see ARB's Verified Technologies pages.

<sup>\*</sup>Not all replacement or repowered engines will be eligible for registration in PERP. Please check with PERP staff at (916) 324-5869 or email at portable@arb.ca.gov before purchase.

In addition to the equipment, allowable items for enrollment may include:

- Projected maintenance costs for exhaust retrofits
- Installation
- Extended warranties

#### For more information

Fact sheets, compliance tools, and regulatory documents are available at www.arb.ca.gov/portable/portable.htm. For additional information call the ARB's Statewide Registration Program Information Line at (916) 324-5869 or email portable@arb.ca.gov.

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